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World of the Ancient Sith

Jedi Princess Leia, pregnant with her third child, journeys with Han Solo and Chewbacca to the spaceport moon Nar Shaddaa, where Leia hopes to find the old Jedi woman, Vima-da-Boda.

Arriving in the ancient spaceport, Leia and Han are stalked by bounty hunters, Gank killers, and warriors from the Emperor's new Darkside Elite. After a vicious confrontation with the Ganks, Leia and Han succeed in finding Vima in the deepest levels of the city.

But Boba Fett follows them, resulting in a clash which ends when Chewbacca rips off Fett's helmet and ignites his jet pack, sending Boba Fett blasting into the darkness.

Safely aboard the Millennium Falcon, Leia, Han, and Chewbacca attempt to take Vima-da-Boda away from Nar Shaddaa, but the Falcon is caught in a tractor beam by an Imperial Star Destroyer.

In a test of wits, Han Solo tricks the Commander of the Star Destroyer into impaling his ship on a city pylon. As the massive warship plunges to destruction, the Falcon jumps safely to hyperspace.

Leia, Han, and Chewbacca are not the only Rebels on a quest. In another part of the galaxy, Luke Skywalker and Jedi Knight Kam Solusar are on their way to the planet Ossus, an ancient Jedi stronghold, to hunt for Jedi artifacts...

And Han Solo's old friends Salla Zend and Shug Ninx are returning to Byss, the Emperor's throneworld, in hope of recovering Salla's ship, the Starlight Intruder.

ABOARD **SALVAGER THREE**,
SALLA ZEN AND SHUG NINX
RETURN TO **BYSS**, THE EMPEROR'S
THRONEWORLD, IN HOPES OF
FINDING SALLA'S SHIP, **THE
STARLIGHT INTRUDER**.

A GAUNTLET OF **IMPERIAL
WARSHIPS** NOW STANDS WATCH
OVER ALL INBOUND TRAFFIC...

HYPERSPACE ROAMER,
YOUR DOCKING CODE HAS
PASSED. GO DIRECTLY TO
PORT TOWER TARKIN-12,
BAY 327.

ATTENTION
SALVAGER THREE--
WHAT'S YOUR BUSINESS
ON **BYSS**?

THIS IS **SALVAGER
THREE**, SERVICE TECH
NINX SPEAKIN'...

I'M HERE TO DO
SPECIALIZED REPAIRS
ON ONE OF THE OLD
CORELLIAN SCOWS.

I HOPE THE
IMPS **BUY** YOUR
STORY, SHUG--

--I KNOW I
WOULDN'T.

THEY'LL **BUY** IT.
THEY'LL **BUY** IT.





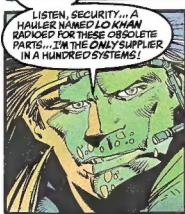
ATTENTION
SALVAGER
THREE--

--YOU KNOW THE
REGULATIONS, NINX... ALL REPAIRS
ON BYSS ARE PERFORMED BY THE
IMPERIAL MAINTENANCE
CORPS.

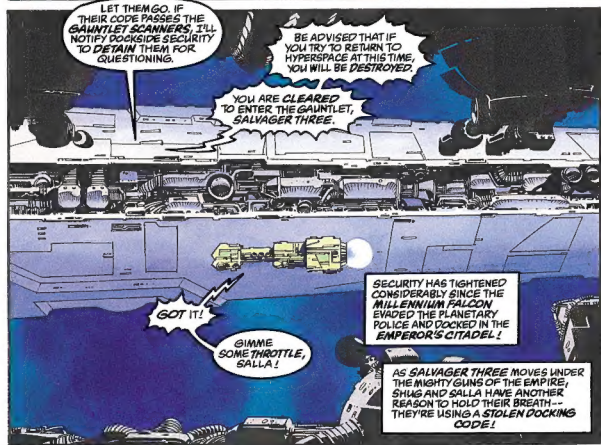


TOO YA, SHUG.
WE'RE ABOUT TO
GET BLASTED!

KEEP
YER SHIRT ON,
BABE.



LISTEN, SECURITY... A
HAULER NAMED LO KHAN
RADIOED FOR THESE OBSOLETE
PARTS... I'M THE ONLY SUPPLIER
IN A HUNDRED SYSTEMS!



LET THEM GO. IF
THEIR CODE PASSES THE
GAUNTLET SCANNERS, I'LL
NOTIFY DOCKSIDE SECURITY
TO DETAIN THEM FOR
QUESTIONING.

BE ADVISED THAT IF
YOU TRY TO RETURN TO
HYPERSPACE AT THIS TIME,
YOU WILL BE DESTROYED.

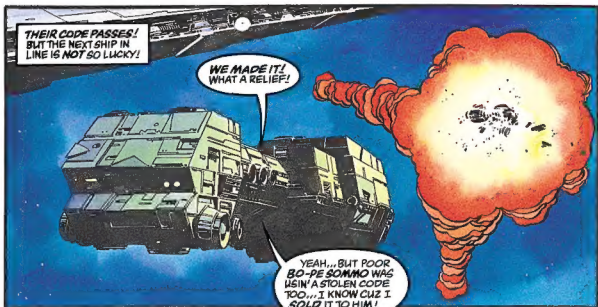
YOU ARE CLEARED
TO ENTER THE GAUNTLET,
SALVAGER THREE.

GOT IT!

GIMME
SOME THROTTLE,
SALLA!

SECURITY HAS TIGHTENED
CONSIDERABLY SINCE THE
MILLENNIUM FALCON
EVADED THE PLANETARY
POLICE AND DOCKED IN THE
EMPEROR'S CITADEL!

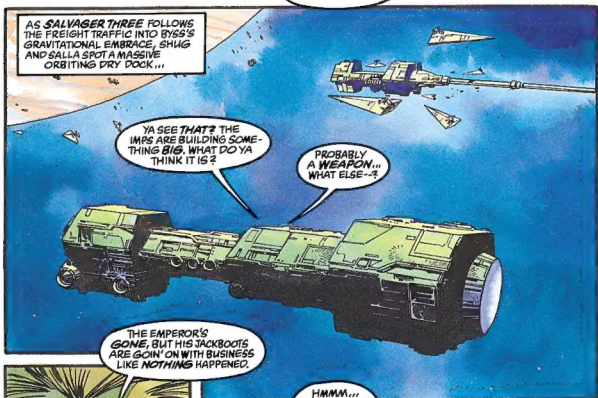
AS SALVAGER THREE MOVES UNDER
THE MIGHTY GUNS OF THE EMPIRE,
SHUG AND SALLA HAVE ANOTHER
REASON TO HOLD THEIR BREATH--
THEY'RE USING A **STOLEN DOCKING
CODE!**



THEIR CODE PASSES!
BUT THE NEXT SHIP IN
LINE IS NOT SO LUCKY!

WE MADE IT!
WHAT A RELIEF!

YEAH... BUT POOR
BO-PE SOMMO WAS
USIN' A STOLEN CODE
TOO... I KNOW CUZ I
SOLD IT TO HIM!

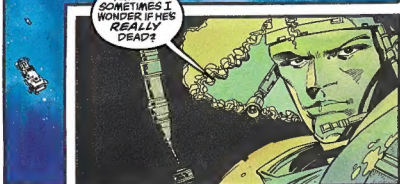


AS *SALVAGER THREE* FOLLOWS
THE FREIGHT TRAFFIC INTO BYSS'S
GRAVITATIONAL EMBRACE, SHUG
AND SALLA SPOT A MASSIVE
ORBITING DRY DOCK...

YA SEE THAT? THE
IMPS ARE BUILDING SOME-
THING BIG. WHAT DO YA
THINK IT IS?

PROBABLY
A WEAPON...
WHAT ELSE--?

THE EMPEROR'S
GONE, BUT HIS JACKBOOTS
ARE GOIN' ON WITH BUSINESS
LIKE *NOTHING* HAPPENED.



HMMM...
SOMETIMES I
WONDER IF HE'S
REALLY
DEAD?

EVEN AS SALLA SPEAKS THESE FATEFUL WORDS, EMPEROR PALPATINE IS VERY MUCH ALIVE... AND VERY ANGRY WITH HIS DARK-SIDE MILITARY EXECUTOR.

EXECUTOR SEDRISS--
YOU PROPERLY DISCIPLINED
THE ADEPTS WHO BETRAYED
ME-- BUT YOU HAVE ALSO
MISTJUDGED THE ENEMY.

THANKS TO YOU,
ZASM AND FASS,
TWO OF MY MOST VALUED
DARK-SIDE WARRIORS,
ARE NO MORE.

WHAT AM I
TO DO EXCEPT
KILL YOU,
SEDRISS?

YOUR MAJESTY,
ZASM AND FASS ARE
GONE, BUT THEIR
DEATHS WILL HARDLY
MATTER.

SKYWALKER
IS WHAT MATTERS.
I HAVE HIM. AND THE
OTHER JEDI I TOLD
YOU ABOUT... KAM
SOLUSAR.

OH? AND HOW
IS THAT?

DON'T SPEAK IN
RIDDLES... YOU HAVEN'T
CAPTURED SKYWALKER.



LUKE SKYWALKER IS AS GOOD AS DEAD, LORD.

ONE OF OUR PROBES HAS TRACKED HIM TO **OSSUS**, A PLANET OF RUINS THAT WAS A **JEDI STRONGHOLD**, IN ANCIENT TIMES.

HE'LL BE **DEFENSELESS** THERE, WITHOUT HIS **REBEL ARMIES**.

OF COURSE... **OSSUS!** SKYWALKER WANTS TO **REVIVE THE JEDI KNIGHTS!**

IT WAS **INEVITABLE** HE'D START DIGGING AROUND IN THE PAST. MY **HOLOGRON** MUST HAVE GUIDED HIM TO THE SPOT.

I CAN'T PERMIT HIM TO FIND **ANYTHING** ON **OSSUS** THAT MIGHT BE **USEFUL** TO HIM. HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO DEAL WITH HIM?



THE PROBE HAS **AUTHORITY** TO **TERMINATE** ITS PREY, ONCE SKYWALKER AND **SOLUSAR** ARRIVE AT THEIR DESTINATION.

THESE TWO JEDI WILL BE **SPACE DUST!**



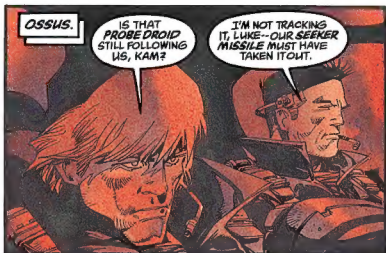
NO!

ORDER THE PROBE DROID TO **STAND DOWN**... YOU WILL GO TO **OSSUS**. YOU WILL **CAPTURE** SKYWALKER FOR ME.

BRING ME THESE **JEDI ALIVE**, AND I WILL MAKE YOU VERY **WEALTHY** AND **POWERFUL**, MY FRIEND.



FAIL TO BRING ME SKYWALKER, AND YOU WILL JOIN **ZASM** AND **PASS** IN THE **MADNESS BEYOND DEATH!**



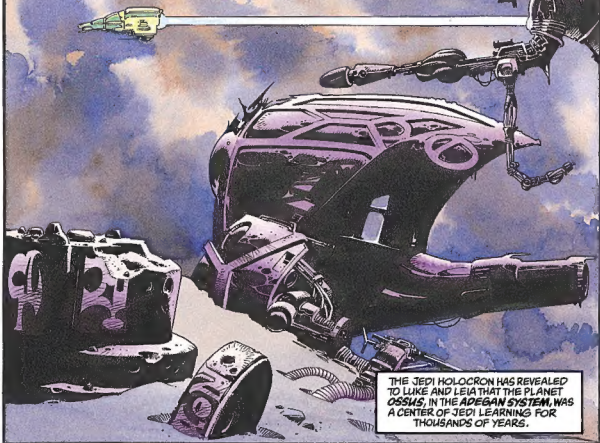
OSSUS.

IS THAT
PROBE DROID
STILL FOLLOWING
US, KAM?

I'M NOT TRACKING
IT, LUKE--OUR SEEKER
MISSILE MUST HAVE
TAKEN IT OUT.

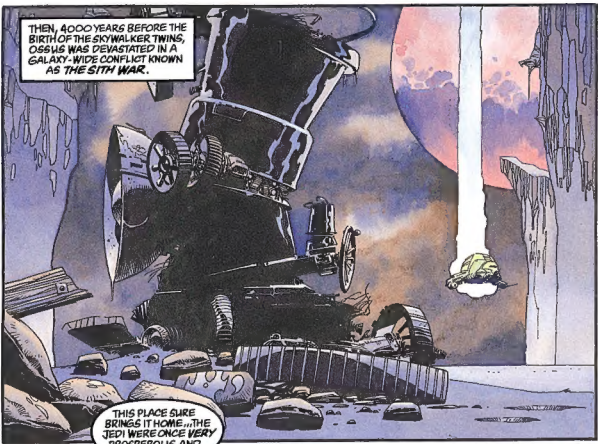
LUKE'S NEW TWO-MAN SHIP, **THE JEDI EXPLORER**,
IS DESIGNED TO NAVIGATE UNCHARTED HYPERSPACE
ROUTES. IT HAS A FULL COMPLEMENT OF LASER AND
ION WEAPONS, AND A CARGO BAY THAT COULD HOLD
A BANTHA.

IT'S GOING TO BE A
ROUGH LANDING--THE
ATMOSPHERE IS LACED
WITH **ELECTRICAL**
STORMS.



THE JEDI HOLOCRON HAS REVEALED
TO LUKE AND LEIA THAT THE PLANET
OSSUS, IN THE **ADEGAN SYSTEM**, WAS
A CENTER OF JEDI LEARNING FOR
THOUSANDS OF YEARS.





THEN, 4000 YEARS BEFORE THE BIRTH OF THE SKYWALKER TWINS, OSSUS WAS DEVASTATED IN A GALAXY-WIDE CONFLICT KNOWN AS THE SITH WAR.

THIS PLACE SURE BRINGS IT HOME...THE JEDI WERE ONCE VERY PROSPEROUS AND GREAT.

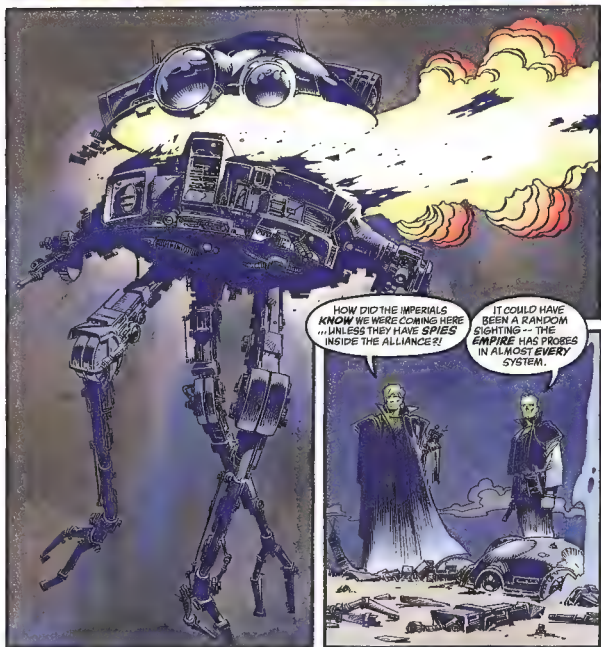
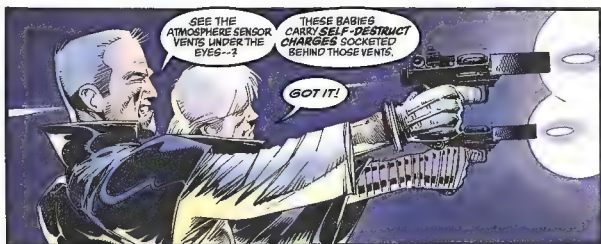


WATCH IT, LUKE! THAT STINKIN' PROBE DROID FOLLOWED US IN!



ALWAYS OBEYED TO HIS EMPEROR'S COMMAND, SEDRISS HAS SIGNED THE PROBE DROID TO **STAND DOWN**. BUT THE MESSAGE GETS LOST IN **HYPERSPACE STATIC**...

--AND THE DROID STICKS TO ITS **ORIGINAL PROGRAM!**



LEAVING THE JEDI EXPLORER,
LUKE AND KAM CRUISE THE
SURROUNDING TERRAIN IN A
T-77 EXPERIMENTAL
AIRSPEEDER.

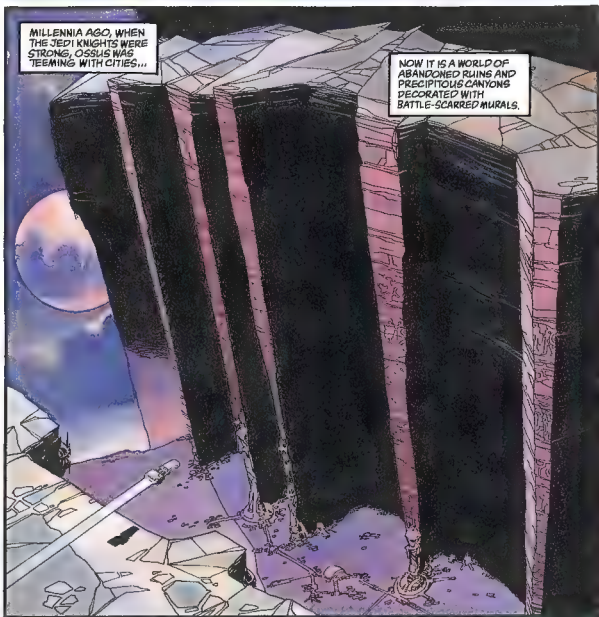
WHAT A PLACE.
WE'LL GET PEOPLE IN
HERE TO EXCAVATE.
THERE'S SURE TO BE
VALUABLE JEDI
ARTIFACTS.

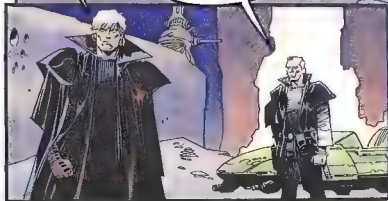
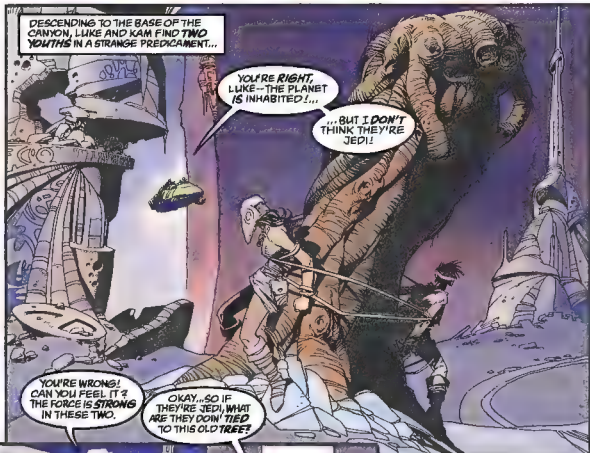
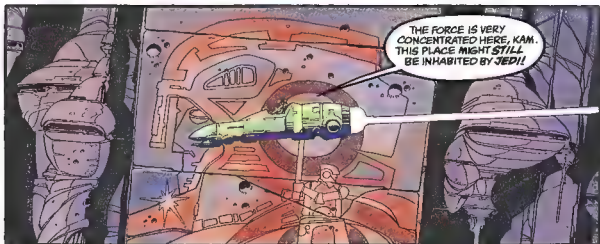
YEAH...MAYBE EVEN
WHOLE VAULTS OF JEDI
ARTIFACTS...UNTOUCHED
BY TIME!



MILLENNIA AGO, WHEN
THE JEDI KNIGHTS WERE
STRONG, OSSUS WAS
TEEMING WITH CITIES...

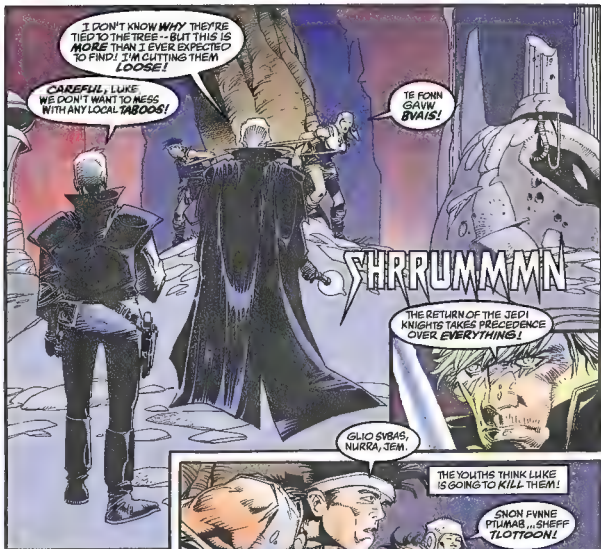
NOW IT IS A WORLD OF
ABANDONED RUINS AND
PRECIPITOUS CANYONS
DECORATED WITH
BATTLE-SCARRED MURALS.





AS LUKE AND KAM WILL LEARN, THE TWO YOUTHS ARE MEMBERS OF THE YSANNA, A TRIBE OF **WARRIOR-SHAMANS** WHO CAME TO OSSUS FOUR THOUSAND YEARS AGO, AFTER THE SITH WAR.

THE YOUNG MAN, AGED 15, IS NAMED **RAYF**... AND HIS SISTER, WHO IS 23, IS CALLED **JEM**.



I DON'T KNOW *WHY* THEY'RE
TIED TO THE TREE -- BUT THIS IS
MORE THAN I EVER EXPECTED
TO FIND! I'M CUTTING THEM
LOOSE!

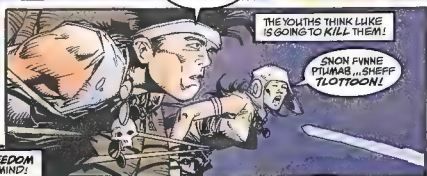
CAREFUL, LUKE.
WE DON'T WANT TO MESS
WITH ANY LOCAL TABOOS!

TE FONN
GAVV
BVAIS!

SHRRUMMMN

THE RETURN OF THE JEDI
KNIGHTS TAKES PRECEDENCE
OVER EVERYTHING!

GLIO SYBAS,
NURRA, JEM.



THE YOUTHS THINK LUKE
IS GOING TO KILL THEM!

SNON FVNNE
PTUMAB... SHEFF
TLOTTOON!



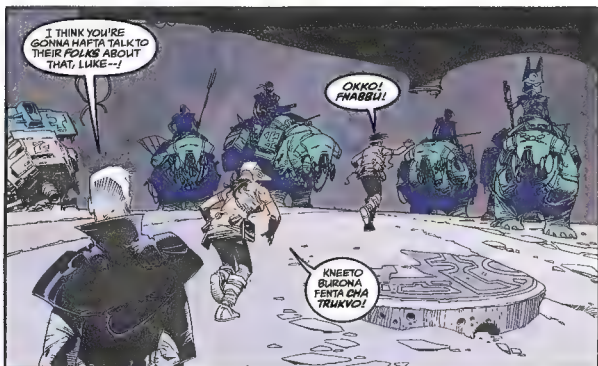
BUT IT IS FREEDOM
LUKE HAS IN MIND!



SOME JEDI--
RUNNIN' LIKE A
RAT!

NOT QUITE
JEDI. THEY NEED
A TEACHER.

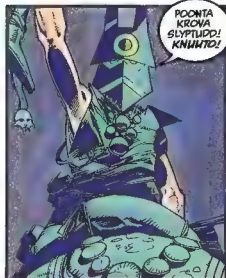
WE'LL TAKE
THEM WITH US!



I THINK YOU'RE
GONNA HAF TA TALK TO
THEIR FOLKS ABOUT
THAT, LUKE--!

OKKO!
FNABBU!

KNEETO
BURONA
FENTA CHA
TRUKVO!



POONTA
KROWA
SLYPTUDD!
KNUHTO!



THEIR JABBERIN'
SOUNDS LIKE
AN EXTINCT
LANGUAGE
TO ME.

AN' CHECK
THEIR WEAPONS--
CONCUSSION-
FIRED
ARROWS!

DON'T HWRT
THEM-- EVERY
ONE OF THESE
PEOPLE COULD
BE A POTENTIAL
JEDI!

LUKE CAN SENSE THE STRENGTH
OF THE FORCE IN EACH OF THE
BEAST-RIDERS.



IT IS A STRENGTH THESE
WARRIORS ARE WELL
AWARE OF!

THE YSANNA ARE SHAMANS
WHOUSE THE POWERS OF
THE FORCE TO GUIDE THEIR
GUN-FIRED ARROWS TO THE
MARK!



BUT EVEN FORCE-GUIDED
PROJECTILES ARE NO
MATCH FOR A JEDI AND
HIS LIGHTSABER!



IMPRESSED BY LUKE AND KAM'S
PERFORMANCE, THE SHAMAN CHIEF
GREATOKKO SIGNALS HIS MEN TO
HOLD THEIR FIRE--

NEKOUDA!



OKKO IS THE MOST
POWERFUL MAGICIAN
IN THE HISTORY OF
HIS PEOPLE.

HE'LL TAKE CARE OF
THESE INTERLOPERS
HIMSELF!

FSTNO.

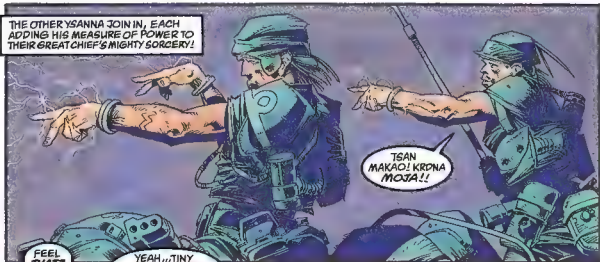


HE'LL SHOW THEM WHAT IT MEANS
TO TAKE ON A SUPREME FORCE-USER!

FSTNO
KRVVOZ LECTO
MAKAO!

--EH?

THE OTHER YSANNA JOIN IN, EACH
ADDING HIS MEASURE OF POWER TO
THEIR GREAT CHIEF'S MIGHTY SORCERY!

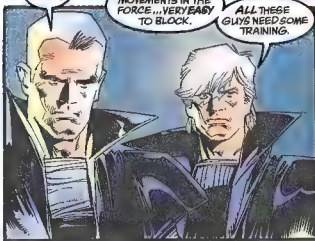


TSAN
MAKAO! KRONA
MOJA!!

FEEL
THAT?

YEAH...TINY
MOVEMENTS IN THE
FORCE...VERY EASY
TO BLOCK.

ALL THESE
GUYS NEED SOME
TRAINING.



NE MAKAO?

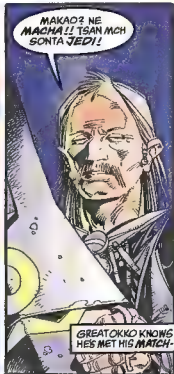
J'NA
KE FLOO,
MURRA



I WISH WE'D
BROUGHT THREPIO
--I'D LOVE TO KNOW
WHAT THEY'RE
SAYING.



MAKAO? NE
MACHA!! TSAN MCH
SONTA JEDI!!



GREATOKKO KNOWS
HE'S MET HIS MATCH--

--AND LUKE'S REWARD
IS A YSANNA BEAR HUG!

HEY--!

TSAN
MCH SONTA
JEDI!!



I THINK I
CAN TRANSLATE
THAT LAST BIT
FOR YA, LUKE.

THE LEGENDS
OF THE YSANNA
WERE BORN
OUT OF THE
HISTORY OF
THIS PLANET.

JEDI!
JEDI!
JEDI!

SUDDENLY, THE OLD SHAMAN'S
CRY OF WONDER AT FINDING A
LIVING JEDI IS INTERRUPTED
BY THE ROAR OF SUBSPACE
ENGINES.

KROYA!
DASSADEO!

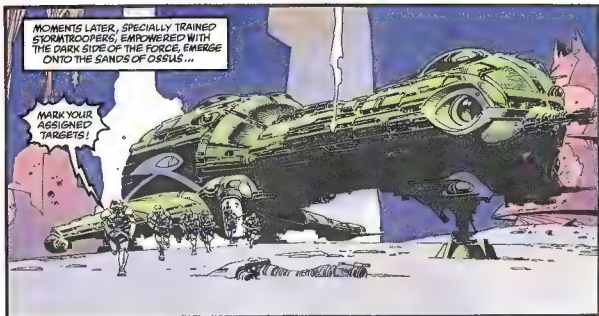
I KNOW THAT SHIP,
LUKE! IT'S A LONG-RANGE
IMPERIAL HUNTER!

CIRCLING THE RUINS, THE
POWERFUL IMPERIAL WARSHIP
ZERGES IN ON ITS PREY--

SCOURGE ONE
TO BASE... WE HAVE
SKYWALKER AND
SOLUSAR... WE'RE
GOING IN!

MOMENTS LATER, SPECIALLY TRAINED STORMTROOPERS, EMPOWERED WITH THE DARK SIDE OF THE FORCE, EMERGE ONTO THE SANDS OF OSSUS...

MARK YOUR ASSIGNED TARGETS!



OUR DARKTROOPERS WILL MAKE SHORT WORK OF THESE SAVAGES, GOIR...

AS YOU COMMAND, SEDRISS.

THEN YOU AND I WILL TAKE SKYWALKER AND SOLUSAR!



THE YSANNA KNOW INSTINCTIVELY THAT THESE ARE **ENEMY**. WITHOUT WAITING FOR THEIR CHIEF'S ORDERS, THEY RELOAD THEIR CONCUSSION BOWS -- AND ATTACK!



THIS AIN'T GONNA BE EASY, LUKE -- THESE ARE THE **DARK-SIDE** ELITE I TOLD YOU ABOUT!

I'M GLAD THEY FOUND US! WITH LUCK WE CAN FINISH THEM OFF AND SAVE THE ALLIANCE A LOT OF TROUBLE!

KAM IS RIGHT--THE DARK-SIDERS ATTACK WITH INEXORABLE FEROCITY. THESE TROOPERS ARE THE BEST IN THE IMPERIAL LEGIONS!

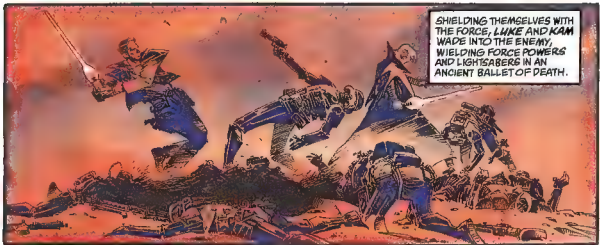
KROVA
SHVAR,
JEM!

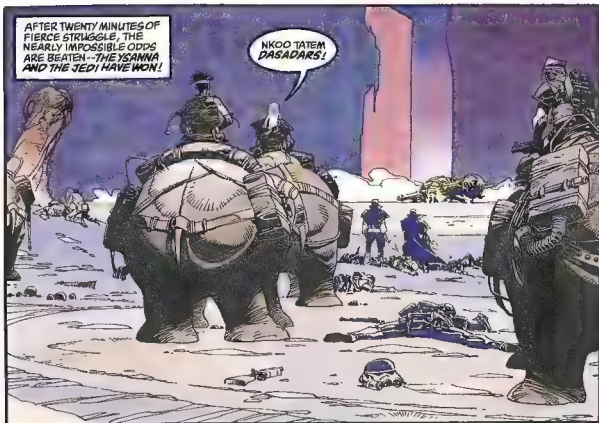


TAKING UP CONCUSSION BOWS, RAYF AND JEM GIVE VALIANT RESISTANCE TO THE ONSLAUGHT!



SHIELDING THEMSELVES WITH THE FORCE, LUKE AND KAM WADE INTO THE ENEMY, WIELDING FORCE POWERS AND LIGHTSABERS IN AN ANCIENT BALLET OF DEATH.





BUT SEDRISS AND GOIR'S COMMAND OF THE FORCE IS FAR GREATER THAN OKKO'S!

MY THROAT--
LIKE AN INVISIBLE
HAND!

I CAN FEEL
THE CARTILAGE
SNAPPING!

THAT'S AN OLD SITH
TRICK. IT'S DEADLY... BUT
THE HOLOCRON SHOWED
ME HOW TO BLOCK IT!

IS THRAT
CRUSHING THE
BEST YOU CAN
DO, SEDRISS?

SON OF VADER!
YOU'LL PAY FOR MURDER-
ING THE EMPEROR!

CLEAVE THEIR
FIGHTING ARMS, GOIR!
WE'LL TAKE THEM
ALIVE!

AS YOU
COMMAND,
SEDRISS!



CAREFUL, VILL
GOIR--YOU FORGET
THAT YOU SHOWED
ME ALL YOUR MOVES
WHEN I WAS ON
V'JUN!

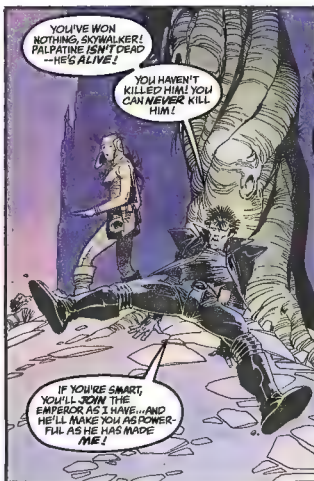
WITH THE ONE-POINTED
CONCENTRATION OF A
TRAINED JEDI SWORDS-
MAN, SOLUSAR ENDS
THE CAREER OF VILL
GOIR!



WHILE SKYWALKER, A SKILLED JEDI
MASTER, UTILIZES A POWERFUL
MOVEMENT OF THE FORCE TO HURL
SEDRISS TO HIS KNEES.

NYAAAA!

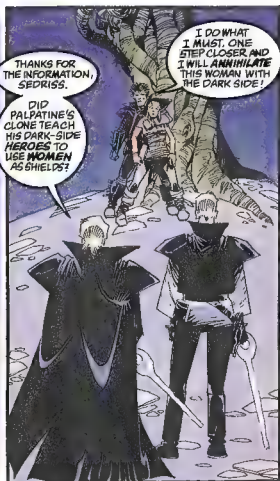




YOU'VE WON
NOTHING, SKYWALKER!
PALPATINE ISN'T DEAD
—HE'S ALIVE!

YOU HAVEN'T
KILLED HIM! YOU
CAN NEVER KILL
HIM!

IF YOU'RE SMART,
YOU'LL JOIN THE
EMPEROR AS I HAVE...AND
HE'LL MAKE YOU AS POWER-
FUL AS HE HAS MADE
ME!



THANKS FOR
THE INFORMATION,
SEDRISS.

DID
PALPATINE'S CLONE TEACH
HIS DARK-SIDE
HEROES TO
USE WOMEN
AS SHIELDS?

I DO WHAT
I MUST. ONE
STEP CLOSER, AND
I WILL ANNIHILATE
THIS WOMAN WITH
THE DARK SIDE!



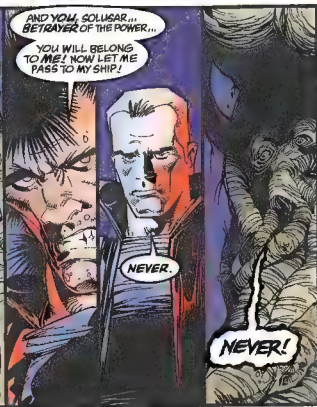
WHAT'S THIS...?
AHMM...THE FORCE IS
ACTIVE IN HER...SHE'S
TRYING TO USE IT
AGAINST ME!

PERHAPS
YOU THINK TO MAKE
HER A JEDI,
SKYWALKER?

N'KAO
TNE'DRA
FENRTH!

YES... I
SEE THAT IS YOUR
PLAN.

BUT I WILL TAKE
HER TO THE EMPEROR...
HE WILL MAKE A DARK
SIDER OUT OF HER!

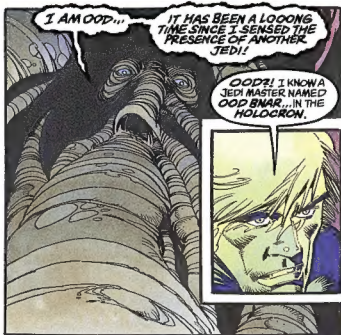
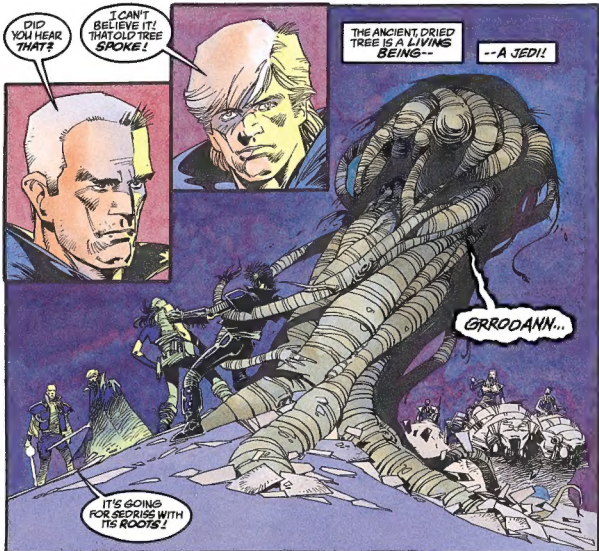


AND YOU, SOLUSAR...
BETRAYER OF THE POWER...

YOU WILL BELONG
TO ME! NOW LET ME
PASS TO MY SHIP!

NEVER.

NEVER!





SENSING THIS IS HIS FINAL BATTLE, SEDRISS
HURLS HIS MIND *DEEP* INTO THE DARK SIDE,
CALLING DOWN *ENERGY* FROM THE PLANET'S
CHARGED ATMOSPHERE --

GET BACK,
SKYWALKER.

THIS EVIL ONE IS TRYING
TO KILL ME! BUT I AM A
GREATER MASTER OF THE
FORCE THAN HE.

JEM!
GRAB MY
WRIST!

MASTER OOD TAKES UP THE
DARKSIDER'S CHALLENGE --
USING POWERS THAT HAVE
LAIN DORMANT IN HIM FOR
THOUSANDS OF YEARS...



NE
MAKAO!

LUKE --
GET BACK, MAN
...IT'S TOO LATE
TO SAVE HER!



OOD DRAWS ON THE
LIVING ENERGY OF
THE PLANET IN WHICH
HE HAS SUNK HIS ROOTS...

